



PERC has established religious liberty. Though the world moves all too slowly, yet doth it move.

The late Legislature was notable for three things: The keeping us "dry," the adding to the expense of conducting the government, and the ignoring of essentials to the welfare of the State. Every wrong charged against the unoffending State officials is resultant upon its action or non-action.

On this page of the REGISTER is reproduced an editorial from the St. Joseph Observer, and mighty interesting reading it is. I particularly call attention of my Republican contemporaries thereto. I would like them to print the editorial and comment upon it. But they won't—not for your life! Neither will the beloved and pure-souled Post-Dispatch touch it with a ten-foot pole, or longer.

ALL the pro-German letters printed in the daily press, pleading for the Vaterland and finding fault with the American attitude in this war, overlook or ignore the main point at issue. No sane American blames the citizen of German descent for being in sympathy with his relatives and friends in the struggle now raging in Europe. As between the Allies and their opponents, it is but natural for him to side with his kith and kindred. But when it comes to a contest between this, his adopted country, to which he has sworn allegiance, and any European power, we expect that he stands by us through thick and thin. It is his duty as well by his oath as through his gratitude to the government which has given him liberty, untrammelled pursuit of happiness, and made him the equal of all men.

I TAKE this paragraph from an editorial in the St. Louis Church Progress of last week:

To many persons the recent order of Postmaster General Burleson excluding from the mails all attacks on one or the other of the belligerents in the European war is something of a postal puzzle. Not that the order was not proper and commendable, but because the head of the Postoffice Department found it impossible to apply the same exercise of his discretionary powers to the vile and indecent attacks contained in books, pamphlets and newspapers against the Catholic citizens of the country upon the latter's voluminous appeals and protests to the department.

If the Postmaster General has made the order above credited to him, that order is neither proper nor commendable. He exercises a power not intended to be lodged with him, and one subversive of the liberty of the press. What? If Turkey slaughters the Christian Armenians, men women and children, indiscriminately, we are to be denied the privilege and duty of denouncing such crimes because, as an ally of Germany and Austria, the Mahometan government is one of "the belligerents in the European war." England may capture our ships on the high seas and confiscate their cargoes; German submarines may destroy unoffending Americans; we must be silent. No wrong, no atrocity, no barbarism must receive our condemnation! The Postmaster General exercises a censorship, if the Progress is rightly informed, never excelled in the old days—the good old days—when men were pilloried, imprisoned, racked and executed for daring to express opinions contrary to the will of the government. No one can have greater contempt than I for those dirty lying sheets seeking to breed ill-will and hatred between men through religious prejudice; but it is not within the rightful province of any official to punish them, except for violation of the law which protects the citizen in his person and good name. The Postmaster General cannot lawfully, by a sweeping order, suppress papers on account of their denominational bias, any more than for their political partisanship. If wrong is done an individual by such a journal, he has his remedy in the courts—the only place where the remedy can be lodged without menace to and destruction of freedom of speech and press.

Our neighboring county, Madison, is "dry," very "dry," has been for years "dry," statutorily speaking. The Sunday law, even to the dispensing of ice cream, candy and cigars, is rigidly enforced; in fact, the full power of the law relating to personal habits and belief is employed toward the salvation of the citizen. But they have a stiff-necked, ill-disposed, and, withal, impecunious contingent, those Madisonians, if one judges by the news out-croppings of the local papers. In evidence, I reproduce the following from the Democrat-News:

The past few days in the peaceful village of Fredericktown have not been quite as peaceful as could be desired. On last Monday a young fellow living in the Henry house on Maple avenue got some booze under his skin and proceeded to disturb the community by loud talking and hostile demonstrations. A warrant was secured for his arrest but as yet he has not been apprehended. On the same date Lou Edwards and Fritz Prokop got in the way of the strong arm of the law for disturbances and warrants are out for them. On last Wednesday night at the city council meeting Alderman Spickerman while considerably the worse for liquor called City Treasurer Ferguson an "offensive name and a sea urchin" has been carrying a disfigured eye ever since. The next day some difficulty arose between Joe Reel and S. S. Andrews. Mr. Andrews was considerably bruised up and Mr. Reel went to the police judge and paid a dollar fine for assault. On this Monday old man Burbaugh and wife of College Hill had a disagreement and scrap and the old fellow was arrested. His wife claims he is crazy and that he burned up \$400 after soaking it in oil. He is at liberty now. The prosecuting attorney has a big gun he took from him. It is likely he will go to soldiers' home.

And this from the Tribune:

At the regular meeting of the city council last week there was not enough money in the treasury to pay all the bills that were presented. The bills against the city proper amounted to \$525 and the treasurer's report showed only \$139 on hand. The payment of all bills save labor, were held up until revenue came in through the means of taxes and there will not be a very great volume of this until the regular meeting night in January. The bill to the light plant fund for street lights of \$185.50 was the largest and the assessor, I. S. Boswell, had his book complete and had in a bill for his salary, \$100, half of which was paid Sidney Counts, the marshal, got half of his salary and the remainder of the city officials had to help hold the bag until money came in. The proposition to build a side walk on the north side of Marvin avenue between South Main street and Abram Watts property was laid over to next spring.

Of course, our neighbors, in bulk, are law-abiding, good people; but are they more so than those of old Ste. Genevieve which has never known the local option law, and whose jail is a useless appendage?

An Unprecedented and Invaluable Record.

(From St. Joseph Observer.) The members of the legislative investigating committee, appointed to examine various departments of State, were unanimous in their findings on the office of Secretary of State Cornelius Roach. Mr. Roach may well be proud of every comment made on his conduct of the office.

This committee was appointed to criticize. No one who knows either Hon. Almon Ing, of Butler County, or Hon. Frank Harr, of Clark County, will doubt the republicanism of those gentlemen. Both are typical stand-patters plus ambitious to win a place on the next republican State ticket, the former being credited with aspirations to be Attorney General and the latter State Auditor.

These partisan rivals subscribed their names officially to the following statement of fact:

"Your committee finds that the clerical force employed in the office of the Secretary of State was authorized by law and by specific appropriation to cover the same, and that no new positions have been created in that office, or salaries raised except as authorized by law and by appropriations made to cover the same."

This formal admission subscribed to by these eminent republicans ought to be sufficient to put forever at rest the false and libelous charge, made by mendacious and hostile partisan papers, that Roach has numerous members of his family on the pay roll. The people (not Roach) speaking through the law limit the number of employees of the Secretary of State; the people (not Roach) speaking through the law fix the wage paid his employees; and the people (not Roach) through the law appropriate every dollar spent to pay his clerks.

These republican investigators and critics further find and officially report:

"The total expenses of the Secretary of State's department during the last full term, 1909 to 1912 inclusive, were \$77,000.00 less than they were for the years 1905 to 1908 inclusive and the receipts during the years 1909 to 1912, inclusive were, in round numbers \$220,000.00 greater than the term preceding."

These republican committeemen also join their democratic colleagues in appending their signatures to the following findings:

"The earnings of the office of the Secretary of State for the two years 1913 and 1914 were practically the same (\$830,000.00) as the total earnings of the office during the four years 1905 to 1908 inclusive; and these practically equal receipts (in half the time) were obtained (by Roach) at a diminished expense of \$61,000.00."

How would it be possible to furnish better evidence of Roach's practical economy and business efficiency? But listen further to the concluding paragraph of the findings to which these republicans attached their signatures:

"Your committee finds and reports that the office of the Secretary of State is being efficiently, economically and carefully managed and conducted, and that it has no suggestions to make which it believes would make the service better to the public and for the State and at less expense than now conducted."

When these eminent republican partisans put their signatures to the statement that it is impossible for them to make a suggestion that would add to the efficiency, the economy, or the character of the public service rendered in this office, all fair-minded people must be forced to conclude that as a public official Mr. Roach has attained as near perfection as any mortal may hope to achieve.

Huzzah Items.

Making molasses has been the leading business here. But almost everybody has finished.

Joe Barton has moved his saw mill from Redmondville.

Mr. Otis Camden went to Arkansas sometime ago.

There was church at New Harmony Sunday week. Miss Della Barton was baptized.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Bay attended the Association at Brushy near Oates.

S. H. Dodson and A. Stricklin have returned from their threshing trip.

Mrs. Cynthia Sump visited Huzzah relatives week before last.

A singing teacher, from the Merrimac taught a singing school at Boss with about thirty members.

Superintendent Millsap of Dent County visited the Boss and Elm Spring schools Thursday.

Ray Stafford has gone to Iowa.

John Bay will farm with Leonard Stafford the coming year.

There will be a United Baptist Church organized at Boss soon. Nine were baptized Sunday. Those were Mrs. Ida Webb, Mrs. John Whitney, Mrs. Lizzie Nelson, Mrs. Belle Sellers, Misses Ida Sellers, Verna Stafford, Letha Bay, Lena Webb, Dora Nelson. A large crowd attended.

T. K. Hutchings and daughter, Miss Effie, went to Howe's mill Tuesday.

Mrs. Mary Barton has been very sick, but is better now.

Wilbur Dodson was on the sick list a few days last week, but is about all right now.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Crocker visited on Huzzah Saturday night.

Wm. Hall went to Doyle Saturday.

Miss Lena Webb visited relatives on Brushy last week.

Albert Trollinger has returned from Iowa.

Mrs. Jane Webb of Oates has come to spend some time with friends and relatives here.

Henry Volner was at S. H. Dodson's Thursday.

John Stuart went to Dillard Saturday to have dental work done.

Misses Mae and Lillie Taylor, of Doss are visiting their aunt, Mrs. John Bay.

Miss Esther Maxwell stayed at J. N. Stuart's and attended the singing at Boss.

F. K. Hutchings attended the Association on Brushy. ANGELO, October 18.

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From Goodland.

This is certainly an ideal autumn. There has been several hundred gallons of molasses made this month about Goodland.

Apples are very plentiful.

W. H. Smith is working for F. M. Adams laying the foundation for a new barn.

Miss Clara Henderson, of Belgrade, spent the week end with friends at Goodland.

Rev. M. Adams filled his appointment at the Baptist church last Saturday and Sunday. There were four accessions to the church, who were baptized after services on Sunday.

Mr. Pippin and daughter, Avis, also Mr. and Mrs. Love with the Misses Naomi and Verda Rayfield, of Edgemoor, attended church Sunday.

Rev. J. H. Bower, better known as "Uncle Jim," was a visitor at church. He is quite feeble even for eighty-three.

Miss Nora Stricklin, who is teaching at Oates, was home for Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wood of Brushy spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Troutman, and came to church.

Bryan, the young son of Mrs. Terry, has been very low with pneumonia. We learn that he is getting along very well under the care of Dr. Martin of Pilot Knob.

Will Black went to Logan's Creek to see his brother, who is sick.

N. W. Short and family made a trip to Flat River in their car last week. Mr. S. went to St. Louis while gone.

Mrs. Glenn Hodges, with baby, of Lesterville, is the guest of her grandfather, Dr. Adams, this week.

Harold, the little son of Frank Troutman, is quite ill.

Mr. Larue had as his guest last week his father.

Miss Florence Love, who has been in the hospital in St. Louis, is so far recovered as to be taken to the home of her brother in the city. She thinks she will soon be able to return to her school in Centrals.

The infant daughter of George Stricklin has been very sick.

Dr. Crenshaw, the dentist, is spending a few days working in our community. He is staying at R. C. Love's.

We learn that Mrs. Dunlap and children are going back to Crawford county where they came from.

TIMOTHY HAY.

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